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REMARKS

The July 24, 2003 Communication states that applicants' July 14, 2003 reply was not fully responsive because of a failure to comply with the sequence rules. Specifically, the attached Notice to Comply with Requirements for Sequence Disclosures stated that the computer readable form filed with the application was damaged and/or unreadable. However, there was no CRF Diskette Problem Report attached to the Notice.

In telephone calls originating on August 11, 2003 between Mark Spencer of the U.S.P.T.O. and Dr. Muriel Liberto of our office, it was determined that applicants' Sequence Listing filed on July 14, 2003 is in compliance with the sequence rules and that the present Communication was issued in error. Accordingly, on August 12, 2003, Dr. Liberto was informed by Mr. Spencer that applicants' July 14, 2003 Sequence Listing has now been entered.

In an August 12, 2003 telephone conversation between Examiner Lee and Dr. Liberto, the Examiner confirmed that the Sequence Listing has been entered and suggested that a reply to the present Communication stating the above facts would be the most expeditious route to furthering the prosecution of this application.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorneys invite the Examiner to telephone them at the number provided below.

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As noted above, applicants have requested a one-month extension for responding to the July 24, 2003 Communication (and authorized payment of the \$55.00 small entity fee therefore) since the July 24, 2003 Communication was received after the due date for filing a reply to the earlier, June 26, 2003 Communication. Since as established above, there is in fact no error in the Sequence Listing supplied in response to the June 26, 2003 Communication, Applicants respectfully submit that they should not be charged for the one-month extension required for responding to the present July 24, 2003 Communication. Notwithstanding the above, however, authorization is herewith provided to charge any required fee concerning this matter to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

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